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MEDIA, PA—On April 9, 2009, Congressman Joe Sestak (PA-07) stopped by the Towne House Restaurant in Media, Pa., to speak at the Rotary Club luncheon about his efforts to restore our economic security here in the 7th District and in Congress. He discussed his support of the strategic investments in the President's, the economic stimulus measures that continue to be felt, and his successful 7th Congressional District Business Procurement Summit held at the Springfield Country Club on March 27.

"Our efforts to face and overcome these economic challenges together continue," said Congressman Sestak. "We will succeed by working together at every level. To that end, it was great to see more than 1,000 people pack the Business Procurement Summit, which brought dedicated government and corporate leaders together with local small businesses, community organizations, and municipalities to ensure that our District has the tools, information, and contacts to secure funding and business opportunities through the government contracting process and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)."

To provide further access to the Recovery Act, each week the Congressman's staff has continued to update the comprehensive 7th District Resource Directory, which provides specific information and contacts to the agencies that will be administering stimulus funds. The Directory is accessible from the Congressman's Web site, [www.sestak.house.gov](http://www.sestak.house.gov).

"In Congress, we are continuing to work hard to repair our financial sector, get the economy moving forward, and lay the foundations for our long term prosperity," the Congressman continued. "The effects of the economic stimulus continue to be felt. If you noticed more take-home pay in your paycheck, that is because the Making Work Pay tax cut—which benefits 95% of American working families—is now in full effect and will result in a savings of \$800 for most American families this year. I also supported President Obama's housing plan, which will help keep millions of Americans from losing their homes to foreclosure. And I voted in support of the President's budget, which establishes a strong blueprint for our economic recovery. I strongly support the strategic investments that are the core of this budget—investments in education, energy, and health care that will save jobs now while ensuring our future prosperity and well being."

Rotary International is the world's first service club organization. Its more than 1.2 million members volunteer their time and talent to further the Rotary motto, Service Above Self. Members of Rotary clubs, known as Rotarians, provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

There are 33,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas. Clubs are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds. Rotary's main objective is service — in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world.

*Born and raised in Delaware County, former 3-star Admiral Joe Sestak served in the Navy for 31 years and now serves as the Representative from the 7th District of Pennsylvania. He led a series of operational commands at sea, including Commander of an aircraft carrier battle group of 30 U.S. and allied ships with over 15,000 sailors and 100 aircraft that conducted operations in Afghanistan and Iraq. After 9/11, Joe was the first Director of "Deep Blue," the Navy's anti-terrorism unit that established strategic and operations policies for the "Global War on Terrorism." He served as President Clinton's Director for Defense Policy at the National Security Council in the White House, and holds a Ph.D. in Political Economy and Government from Harvard University. According to the office of the House Historian, Joe is the highest-ranking former military officer ever elected to the U.S. Congress.*

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